William R. Durham Drama/Theater Scholarship

Applicant must:

- Be a high school graduate or graduating senior with an address in Winnebago or Boone County;
- Have a minimum GPA of at least 3.0/4.0;
- Plan to attend an accredited four year college or university to obtain an M.A. or B.A.; and
- Intend to teach theater or work professionally as a performer or technician in theater.

Applicants must maintain a GPA of at least 3.0/4.0 when receiving the scholarship award.

**Deadline**: February 1

William R. Durham was born and raised in Mendota, Illinois and graduated from Mendota High School in 1953. He graduated with a B.A. from Monmouth College and with an M.A. from the University of Northern Colorado. He was a life long member of the Theta Chi Fraternity and a member of the National Honorary Theatre Society, Alpha Psi Omega. Bill was a teacher for 35 years teaching in Venezuela, Nebraska and Illinois. He taught speech and drama at Guilford High School for the last 24 years of his career. He was a Mason for 48 years and a life member of the Samuel H. Davis Lodge No. 96 in Mount Morris.

Upon moving to California, he continued his volunteer work, serving as president of his Homeowners Board and was an active volunteer with the Desert Aids Society. He was honored for his 3,000 of volunteer service shortly before his death. He passed away on April 29, 2009.

TO APPLY: Visit cfnil.org/scholarships and follow the instructions under “How to Register & Apply”.

When you’re ready, look for the Application Portal link to start your application.

CFNIL’s online application will automatically match you to every one of CFNIL’s 90+ scholarships for which you are eligible. CFNIL awards more than $300,000 in scholarships every year. The deadline for scholarship applications is February 1.

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